

# The Brattleboro Daily Reformer

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TWO CENTS.

## THREAT SENT TO GEN. PERSHING

**Carranza Commander Tells Him U. S. Troops in Mexico Must Not Move South, West or East—War Department at Washington Prepares for Trouble Across Border**

WASHINGTON, June 17.—General Funston advised the war department today that he was informed by General Bell at El Paso that General Pershing had been warned by Gen. J. J. Trevino, the Carranza commander at Chihuahua, that any movement of the American expedition to the south, west or east would be a signal for an attack by the Mexican forces.

No word has come so far from Gen. Pershing himself but even before the arrival of Gen. Funston's message department officials were inclined to credit news despatches telling of the warning.

Preparations have been made for any eventuality and Pershing is ready to deal with any force that may be sent against him. It is probable that he will hold his present position.

Gen. Funston reported also that Major Gray of the 14th cavalry, commanding the two troops attacked by Mexicans recently, had returned from an unsuccessful effort to pick up the trail of the bandits. Two additional prisoners were captured on the American side and the body of another dead Mexican was found in the brush near the scene of the attack. Major Gray reported he had received assurances of cooperation from the Carranza military commanders across the line. The Mexican officers said they had captured 20 men believed to have been engaged in the attack on the American camp. The American commander said he believed the band had been broken up and that no further activities were to be expected from that particular force.

Virtually all available regulars of the United States army, including many coast artillery men, already are on the border or in Mexico and the National Guard of Texas, Arizona and New Mexico are in service for patrol duty. Guardsmen of other states were notified some weeks ago to be prepared to respond if it should become necessary to call them out.

War department officers, after a study of the enlistment requirements of the different states, have determined that only the militia of one state, Kansas, can continue under the Hay-Chamberlain bill without the necessity of re-enlistment. The new law requires a dual allegiance for guardsmen who are to participate in the militia pay and other federalization features of the plan.

### HANNA AT LAREDO.

Consul at Monterey Crosses Border—Retiree As to Visit.

LAREDO, Texas, June 17.—Philip C. Hanna, United States consul general at Monterey and one of the two remaining consuls in Mexico, accompanied by half a dozen other Americans, arrived here today. He was reticent as to the object of his visit.

Asked regarding conditions in Mexico and the probable length of his stay Consul Hanna replied: "Everything is quiet down the line. I may remain two or three days."

It has been known for some time that Consul Hanna was instructed by the state department that he could leave his post at any time at his own discretion.

### ORDERED THIS SIDE.

Hanna and Told Stillman to Get Out of Mexico.

SAN ANTONIO, Texas, June 17.—The arrival at Laredo of Philip Hanna, consul general at Monterey, developed the fact that the state department ordered both him and J. H. Stillman, consul at Saltillo, to the American side of the river. The withdrawal of these two consular officers will leave the American government with no consular representative at interior points in Mexico except an agent at Mexico City.

### DESTROYER EDEN SUNK.

British War Vessel Lost in English Channel Last Night.

LONDON, June 17.—The British destroyer Eden has been sunk. Thirty-one members of the crew were saved. Three officers are missing. The Eden was sunk in the English channel last night after a collision.

This announcement was made this afternoon by the official press bureau. The Eden displaced 555 tons and carried a complement of 70. She was built in 1903 and had a speed of 26 knots. The Eden carried four three-inch guns and was equipped with two 18-inch torpedo tubes.

### DEFEATED RUSSIAN CAVALRY.

Austro-Hungarian Troops Report Success in Galicia.

BERLIN, wireless to Sayville, June 17.—Austro-Hungarian troops south of the Dniester river in Galicia defeated a Russian cavalry force on Thursday according to an official statement given out by the Austro-Bulgarian headquarters under date of July 16. It also announced that new battles have been started on the whole front in Volhynia.

### Centre Congregational Church

Rev. Richard H. Clapp, Pastor.



### Sunday Services.

10:30 a. m.—Preliminary service, sermon by Rev. C. H. Merrill, D. D., of St. Johnsbury.

11:45 a. m.—Sunday school. The junior department will meet in the church with the intermediate department. All other classes will meet in the Centre Church House.

7:00 p. m.—Christian Endeavor society meeting in the Centre Church House. Leader, John Danton, Jr. Topic, The Usefulness of Good Cheer. John 16:24-33.

8:00 p. m.—High school baccalaureate service, with sermon by Rev. Nelson Kellogg.

### In Odd Fellows' Temple

Monday night at 7:30—Regular meeting of Wantastiquet lodge.

## RESTLESS ALONG BORDER

**Mexican Civilians and Troops Aware of Order to Give Battle**

**IN CASE AMERICAN TROOPS MAKE MOVE**

Bandit Raid at Isiltas Believed to Have Been Prevented Only by Vigilance of Border Patrol—Rangers and Civilians Help Troops.

LAREDO, Texas, June 17.—Due probably to the vigilance of Texas rangers and the military patrol, the reported raids by Mexican bandits at Isiltas, 25 miles northwest of here, early today did not materialize according to reports to Gen. Mann commanding the border patrol here.

Rangers and armed civilians aided the military in guarding that part of the border where bandits were seen approaching last night.

There is an undercurrent of unrest here among the Mexican civilians and soldiers in the territory here. It has become openly known that Carranza has given orders that if American soldiers enter those sections of Mexican territory not already occupied by Mexican troops it would be considered an act of war and the Mexicans have orders to give battle.

General Mann, commanding the Laredo district of the border patrol, had heard nothing of the raid and was inclined to believe that if one had been contemplated it had not been carried out.

## CLASS DAY HELD IN HIGH SCHOOL ROOM

First Feature of Commencement Begins This Afternoon—Baccalaureate Tomorrow Evening at 8.

The annual commencement exercises of the Brattleboro high school will begin this afternoon at 3:30 o'clock in the main room of the high school building with the class day exercises. These were to have been held on the lawn, but the customary rain forced a change in the location to a drier place.

The annual baccalaureate sermon will be preached tomorrow evening at 8 o'clock by Rev. Nelson Kellogg, rector of St. Michael's Episcopal church, in the Centre Congregational church.

The graduation exercises will take place Tuesday evening at 8 o'clock in the Auditorium, the address being given by Miss B. Hillegas, who has been chosen state commissioner of education, and the annual alumni reunion will take place Wednesday evening at 7 o'clock in the high school building and the Auditorium. There will be the usual parade from the high school building down Main street to the Auditorium where the entertainment will be furnished by the Mozart Ladies' quartet of Boston.

### GERMANS AGAIN REPULSED.

While French Penetrate Lines and Take Prisoners.

PARIS, June 17.—In the course of last night German troops attacked the French position at Avocourt with grenades says the official statement today. In the region of Le Mort Homme there was heavy bombardment. In the Vosges, after a violent bombardment of Hill 425, the French infantry, the statement adds, penetrated the first and second German lines and brought back a number of German prisoners.

### LOS ANGELES LARGEST CITY.

Annexation of Suburbs Gives It Area of 337.92 Square Miles.

LOS ANGELES, June 17.—The annexation of Westgate and Occidental to Los Angeles, ratified by the voters at a recent election, makes Los Angeles the largest municipality in the United States in area. It has a total area of 337.92 square miles, crowding Greater New York, with an area of 314.75 square miles, into second place. Chicago is third with 198 and Philadelphia fourth with 129.

The completion of a \$23,000,000 aqueduct which brings pure mountain spring water by gravity a distance of 250 miles is responsible for the development in Los Angeles area. It will supply 2,000,000 persons.

Above the prescription department, reached by a short flight of stairs, are the private office and truss fitting room of Mr. Root, a small room used for a stock room at present, and the private office of Miss Margaret E. Root, public stenographer. The lights in the store proper, in the laboratory and in the private offices have been installed with the individual switches and requirement of each in mind and a better lighting store is not to be found in Brattleboro.

Excursion to Plattsburg June 25. See ad on page 3.

### Try Taking Your

## SUNDAY DINNERS

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## NINTH GRADE GIVES PLEASING PROGRAM

Graduation Exercises Reflect Credit Upon Pupils and Instructors—Large Audience Present.

A program of unusual interest was rendered, yesterday afternoon at the graduation of the ninth grade of the public schools, in the First Baptist church, and although the weather was unfavorable a large audience was present and greatly enjoyed the exercises. The program as published in The Reformer Thursday was carried out with the exception that Rev. George E. Tomkinson offered prayer instead of Rev. D. E. Trout.

The platform was banked with palms and red geraniums which with other decorations presented a beautiful appearance. The class flower, red rose, was in evidence. The school marched down the aisles from the rear of the church and took places on the platform, the girls wearing white middle blouses and crimson ties, in conformity with the school colors, crimson and white. The blouses were made by the girls in their regular sewing class work, and the uniformity of color was pleasing.

Several choruses were rendered under the direction of Miss Lucy A. Proctor, supervisor of music in the incorporated district, with excellent effect. Miss Proctor is to be commended for the good progress made by the pupils in both music and part-song work. The readings were given in a very entertaining manner and reflected credit upon not only the pupils, but upon Mrs. C. H. Thompson, who had charge of their preparation.

The class play, by Florence G. Adams, was in the nature of a prophetic dream and created much amusement. Its composition would have done credit to a high school graduate. Rev. E. Q. S. Osgood presented the certificates, emphasizing the class motto, "Strive for Success." Miss Mabel Applin, principal of the ninth grade, has a right to feel proud of the work of the class. The class song, written by Arthur C. Barrett and sung to the tune of Nix's March of Triumph, was as follows:

Come, ye classmates, all together,  
Let us sing our parting song;  
From honest hearts so long united,  
Sing the strains with voices strong.  
Ours to sing of joys and sorrows,  
Of the years so swiftly flown;  
We have worked and played together,  
And no sorrow have we known.

To the crimson rose we're loyal,  
Always trying for the right,  
And bravely struggling ever onward,  
With the highest aim in sight.

"Strive for Success," our motto, leads us  
Toward the goal we hope to gain;  
May the future, like the present,  
Prove we labor not in vain.

We will not forget the Ninth Grade,  
As we journey on our way,  
And all the lessons that we've learned  
There.

We will profit by each day,  
What may be the tasks before us,  
What the future, time will tell;  
This to you we say in parting,  
"Dear old Ninth Grade, fare thee well!"

## OPENING TODAY OF NEW ROOT PHARMACY

Weather Not Propitious, but Many Call to Inspect Handsome Quarters—Candy and Cigars Given.

Although the weather today is not exactly propitious the formal opening of the drug store of W. F. Root in the new location in the Hooker building has attracted many people, who visited the store for the first time since the removal from the old quarters. It was the unanimous opinion that the dimensions of the new store permit a much more attractive arrangement of stock and fixtures and give opportunity for better display while being more convenient for clerks and patrons alike.

The store is decorated with palms and cut flowers and a sonora provides music. Each woman visitor is presented a dainty box of candy, and Blackstone cigars are used to mark the occasion in the minds of male patrons and visitors.

The soda fountain which is in the same relative position in the new store as it was in the former place of business, is on the left of the entrance and in the corner is a large massive settle for use of patrons. On the right of the entrance is a large glass showcase for the fine lines of candies carried by the store and near the window one of the tables for the service of refreshments. Other tables are placed in the center of the floor. The opportunity for the proper display of toilet articles in attractive wall cases is much greater in this store than it was in the old one and every advantage is taken of this fact.

The prescription laboratory at the rear of the store is wonderfully well arranged. The pharmacist engaged in compounding a prescription has almost every ingredient within ready reach, so compact are the arrangements.

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## CHANGES IN INSTRUCTORS

**Several New Teachers Will Join District Staff Next Term**

**TEACHER-TRAINING COURSE DELAYED**

Miss Rallion, Miss Brower, Miss Nugent, and Miss Ransom Going Elsewhere—Promotions and Other Changes—Male Manual Instructor.

Several changes in the personnel of the teaching force in the incorporated school district have been made for the coming school year, some of the teachers in both the graded schools and the high school having secured positions elsewhere, either at a larger salary or nearer some large city. With one exception teachers have been engaged to fill the vacancies, and a continuance of the high standard of work done in the past is assured.

Miss Harriet E. Rallion of Norwich, Conn., teacher of German and Spanish in the high school, will take a similar position in the high school in Englewood, N. J. She has taught here nine years. Her successor will be Miss Jeannette F. Sears of Holyoke, Mass., a graduate of Vassar college in 1912. She was a classmate of Mrs. George E. Tomkinson of this village.

Miss Lulu D. Brower, head of the commercial department, will take a position in the Ames high school in North Easton, Mass. Her successor has not been engaged.

The school board has decided to give up for this year the idea of having a teacher-training course. An effort was made to secure 10 persons to take the course, which would have insured the payment of the teacher's salary by the state, but only about half that number were found who would enroll themselves. Moreover to establish the course would mean that two or three of those now in the course at Leland and Gray seminaries in Townsend would withdraw and come to Brattleboro, which might mean the breaking up of the course there. The situation was gone over thoroughly by the prudential committee in conference with the superintendent in Townsend and Dr. H. D. Holton of this town, representing the seminary trustees, and it was decided to drop the matter for this year.

Miss Ethel A. Eddy, who has taught several years in the eighth grade in the Main street building, will have charge next year of the ungraded room which will be started as a new school. This school will be in the room known as the studio, on the third floor of the Main street building. Miss Eddy will take a teacher's course in Columbia university, New York, this summer to fit herself for the work. Miss Eddy has taught history and English, and these studies will be taught by Miss Sadie E. Winchester, who has taught arithmetic and geography in the same grade. Miss Nellie J. Fenn, now in the sixth grade, Main street, will teach arithmetic and geography in the eighth grade. She will be succeeded in the sixth grade by Miss Martina Pihl, now assistant in the grammar grades in Brattleboro academy in West Brattleboro. Miss Pihl is a graduate of the Lowell normal school.

Miss Grace M. Nugent of the fourth grade in the East Orange, N. J. Her successor will be Miss Susie Clark of West Brattleboro, who has not taught the past year. Miss Clark is a graduate of the Pittsburg normal school and did a year's work in the University of Michigan. She has taught in Springfield, Mass.

Miss Jessie Ransom, who has taught the fourth grade in Montclair, N. J. Miss Leona Wright of Middlebury, who taught the fourth, fifth and sixth grades in West Brattleboro, will succeed Miss Ransom. She is a graduate of the Middlebury high school and the Middlebury training course.

A new course to be introduced next term is the household economics course, for which the physical laboratory in the high school building may be used. Miss Rosamond Ashley will have charge and besides her work in the high school she will teach sewing to the girls of grades 6 to 8, inclusive, and cooking to the girls of grades 7 to 9, inclusive, of both the Main street and Centre street buildings. The girls in grade 6 will have a 90-minute period each week and the girls in grades 7 through 9 will have a 90-minute period each week. Miss Ashley is a graduate of the New Bedford, Mass., high school and of Simmons college, Boston, four years ago. She has two years of practical training in Boston and for the past two years she has taught household economics in Walpole, N. H.

For the first time a man has been engaged to teach manual training, succeeding Mrs. Harold E. Whitney, resigned. Edwin M. Feeney of Oxford, Vt., will teach grades 8 through 9 and the boys of the high school in manual training and some other lines of work in the well-equippedloyd room and will teach drawing in all the grades. Mr. Feeney is a graduate of Miami university, Oxford, O., and for several years worked as a skilled machinist. The past year he has spent in New York specializing in manual training and drawing.

Miss Ruth Anderson of Westfield,

## OUTLINED PROGRAM FOR CHAUTAUQUA

Mrs. Grigg, Representative of Chautauqua Association, Meets Guarantors in Brooks House.

A few of the guarantors of the Chautauqua met in the Brooks House parlors yesterday afternoon with Mrs. M. M. Grigg of the Swarthmore Chautauqua association.

Mrs. Grigg outlined the program for the coming Chautauqua, which, she said, is especially fine. It includes the Folk Song Quartet, who give four series of songs in costume, including Russian, Irish, Bohemian and American concert music; Ross Creme, artist and clay modeler; Colencis's band with Miss Bentley as the soloist; Mr. and Mrs. Henry Such, Mr. Such being an artist on the violin; Dr. A. E. Turner, who lectures on Community Problems; Monteville Flowers, whose lecture is on the Rebuilding of the Temple, dealing with the Japanese problem; the Granville-Hines company, a musical program; the play, The Man From Home; The Blind Singers in a concert program; Dr. Newell D. Hills in a lecture; the musical comedy, The Chimes of Normandy, and probably Dr. Green, who lectured here last year and whose return has been asked by the guarantors and the committee in charge.

This year the junior Chautauqua is promised to be more interesting than it was last year. An interesting little play called Uncle Sam's Experiment is being staged. This has to do with corn and potatoes and there are games and songs that go with it, making it especially interesting for the children participating.

There was some discussion over the question of having a parade the opening day and it was finally decided that a determined effort would be made to have a large turnout this year.

The advance advertising will be here within a few days and active work in all departments will be started at once. The guarantors, with 500 tickets pledged before the Chautauqua closed last year, are confident that this year's entertainment will be even more successful than last year.

### LACK OF CASH THE CAUSE.

John N. Willys Explains Why Big Automobile Merger Was Abandoned.

TOLEDO, Ohio, June 17.—The \$200,000,000 proposed merger of the automobile concerns was abandoned because of the lack of cash, according to John N. Willys, president of the Willys-Overland company, in a statement. He said:

"As the proposition was first put to me, I understood that it was said to receive payment on a cash basis for the holdings which I would turn over. There would have been no objection to such procedure."

"When I discovered that the cash was not forthcoming and that it was the intention to carry through the proposition on a different basis, I decided to withdraw."

Mr. Willys asserted that fear of violation of the Sherman anti-trust act had nothing to do with the abandonment of the combine.

## WILL CONTEST IN PROBATE COURT

Two Documents Presented Purporting to Be Last Will of George W. Walker—Estate of \$15,000.

An interesting probate court hearing was begun today before Judge A. F. Schwenk over the will of the late George W. Walker of Brattleboro, father of Mrs. Susie Randall, wife of Will M. Randall.

Mr. Walker died last March. Judge E. W. Gibson as executor presented what purported to be the last will and testament of Mr. Walker, which left his property to the daughter and husband. Before that Mr. Walker made a will giving his daughter the use of the estate during her life and such of the principal as she might need, the remainder to go to the Home for the Aged and Disabled.

C. C. Fitts and Harold E. Whitney as attorneys for the Home are trying to have the second will proved void and have the first one sustained. The estate amounts to about \$15,000. W. R. Daley and W. D. Smith are counsel for the executor.

### PASSED COMFORTABLE NIGHT.

Colonel Roosevelt Has Slight Attack of Pleurisy, Says Doctor.

NEW YORK, June 17.—Theodore Roosevelt passed a comfortable night. He hoped to return to his Oyster Bay home this afternoon. The Colonel, his physician announced last night, has suffered a slight attack of pleurisy. They consider his condition satisfactory.

Miss, will succeed Miss Pihl in Brattleboro academy. She is a graduate of the Westfield high school and the Westfield normal school and has specialized in music, which is taught by the assistant in the academy. Miss Wright of Brattleboro academy will be succeeded by Miss Emeline Webster of Hartford (Vt.) Miss Webster is a graduate of the Woodstock high school and the Westfield normal school and has taught three years in Hartford.

Miss Pauline Morris has resigned as teacher in the Centerville school, grades 4 through 6, and will be succeeded by Miss Florence Holden of Centerville, who has taught several years near Brattleboro.

## ORDINANCES WERE PASSED

**No Serious Opposition Over Traffic Rules in Village Meeting**

**CONSTRUCTION TO BE REASONABLE**

Words "When Practicable" Added to Rule About Vehicles Stopping with Right Side Close to Curb—Less Than 100 Voters Present.

Less than 100 voters assembled in Festival hall last evening to pass traffic regulations at the special village meeting called by the village commissioners for that purpose. By adding the words "when practicable" to article 2 and by adding another by-law prohibiting the placing of coal ashes in the streets there was not much difficulty in passing the ordinances as drafted by the commissioners. What opposition developed was good natured and merely for the purpose of clarifying the general situation.

When the meeting was called to order by Chairman E. W. Gibson of the village commissioners there were 64 in the hall and a few more came in during the early part of the meeting, which lasted 40 minutes. Clerk W. H. Perry read the warrant, and on motion of Horton D. Walker Judge A. F. Schwenk was elected moderator.

After the moderator had read the warrant once more Mr. Walker moved that the ordinances as read be adopted.

L. E. Holden wanted to know if the rules applied to all streets in the village and Chairman Gibson replied that the commissioners had tried to compile as few and as simple rules as possible and to that end had studied the rules, compiled by towns and cities where traffic regulations had been in use some time. He thought Mr. Holden had in mind High and Main streets when he asked the question for the street railway tracks run close to the right hand side of the street on those streets and it would be impossible to stop a car with its right side "close to and parallel with the curb," as required. The commissioners expected that the rules would be construed reasonably and decided to leave the entire matter up to the voters. He suggested that the articles be taken up separately.

Mr. Holden did not think that was necessary. He thought if the words "when practicable" were added to article 2 it would meet his approval. This article read as follows: "No vehicle shall stop with its left side to the curb. No vehicle shall stop in a public street except with its right side close to and parallel with the curb."

Mr. Gibson said that article 4, which forbids the scattering of metal, glass and other substances in the highways, he had discovered was covered by Act 123 of the Acts of 1910. Mr. Holden said that he rather liked to have the article left in for it might tend to discourage the use in the streets, of coal ashes with the nails that are frequently in them.

Dennison Cowles said that article 2, as it read, would prevent an automobile from stopping in front of his store without being liable to a fine of \$20. He explained that he sometimes during business hours some car is standing close to the curb in front of Robbins & Cowles' store and that another car could not stop close to the curb and would, therefore, be liable to a fine.

George W. Clapp thought the article was intended to relate to the parking of cars on the street.

Mr. Holden suggested the adding of the words "when practicable." Dr. Charles G. Wheeler thought that "when practicable" would not cover the case. He thought certain business streets ought to be specified. There is no need, he believed, for such stringent rules to apply in Esteyville, for instance.

John B. Danton did not believe in the muffler cut-out restriction. He thought if a machine was going up Union hill, for instance, with a load the driver ought to be allowed to open his cut-out.

The motion of Mr. Walker with the amendment to Mr. Holden to make article 2 read "when practicable" was put and carried with one dissenting voice.

Oscar F. Benson wanted Bullock and Whipple streets made one way street because they are so narrow, suggesting that the commissioners decide upon the matter of direction of traffic in each.

George F. Whitney opposed the idea and Mr. Benson's motion was lost by a large majority.

Mr. Holden wanted a paragraph inserted about coal ashes being spread in the streets. Clerk W. H. Perry suggested that the streets were under control of the road commissioner. S. W. Edgett told of picking up in the W. Edgett told of picking up in the tires of his machine more nails than he could carry in his two hands between the Princess theatre and Green street.

Mr. Holden's motion was carried unanimously and the meeting then adjourned.

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### First Baptist Church

Rev. George E. Tomkinson, Minister.



### Sunday, June 18.

10:15 a. m.—Members of the Bible School will meet in the chapel.  
10:30 a. m.—Children's day service, Baptisms.  
11:45 a. m.—Bible school.  
8:00 p. m.—In the Centre Congregational church, high school baccalaureate service.

### Unitarian Church

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